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IN THE UNITED STAFES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CRIMINAL NO. 66R-19-0372

(Possession of a Firearm by a

Prohibited Person, 18 U.S.C. § 922;

CEPHUS ALBERT POWELL,

v.

Possession with Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances, 21 U.S.C. § 841;

Defendant.

Possession of a Firearm in Furtherance

of a Drug Trafficking Crime, 18 U.S.C.

§ 924(c); Forfeiture, 21 U.S.C. § 853)

## INDICTMENT

### **COUNT ONE**

(Possession of a Firearm by a Prohibited Person)

The Grand Jury for the District of Maryland charges that:

On or about April 30, 2019 in the District of Maryland, the defendant,

#### CEPHUS ALBERT POWELL,

knowing he had previously been convicted of a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year, knowingly possessed a firearm, to wit, a Taurus Model PT704 .40 caliber handgun bearing serial number SEY87704, and the firearm was in and affecting commerce. 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1)

# **COUNT TWO**

### (Possession with Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances)

The Grand Jury for the District of Maryland further charges that:

On or about April 30, 2019, in the District of Maryland, the defendant,

### CEPHUS ALBERT POWELL,

did knowingly and intentionally possess with the intent to distribute a quantity of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of N-phenyl-N-[1-(2-phenyl-ethyl)-4-piperidinyl] propanamide, commonly known as fentanyl, a Schedule II controlled substance, a quantity of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine base, a Schedule II controlled substance, and a quantity of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of cocaine, a Schedule II controlled substance.

21 U.S.C. § 841(a)

21 U.S.C. § 841(b)(1)

# **COUNT THREE**

# (Possession of a Firearm in Furtherance of a Drug Trafficking Crime)

The Grand Jury for the District of Maryland further charges that:

On or about April 30, 2019 in the District of Maryland, the defendant,

### CEPHUS ALBERT POWELL,

did knowingly possess a firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime for which he may be prosecuted in a court of the United States, that is, the offense charged in Count Two of this Indictment, Possession with Intent to Distribute Controlled Substances, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 841.

18 U.S.C. § 924(c)

# **FORFEITURE ALLEGATIONS**

The Grand Jury for the District of Maryland further charges that:

1. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 32.2, notice is hereby given to the defendant that the United States will seek forfeiture as part of any sentence in accordance with 21 U.S.C. § 853 as a result of the defendant's conviction under Counts One, Two, or Three of the Indictment and in accordance with 18 U.S.C. § 924(d) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c) as a result of the defendant's conviction under Count Three of the Indictment.

### Narcotics Forfeiture

Pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853, upon conviction of an offense in violation of 21 U.S.C.
 § 841, as set forth in Count Two of the Indictment, the defendant

### CEPHUS ALBERT POWELL,

shall forfeit to the United States of America:

- a. any property constituting, or derived from, any proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as the result of such violation; and
- any property used or intended to be used, in any manner or part, to commit,
  or to facilitate the commission of, such violation.

including but not limited to approximately \$2,161 in U.S. currency seized from the defendant on April 30, 2019.

- 3. If any of the property described above, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:
  - a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
  - b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited with, a third party;
  - c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court;

- d. has been substantially diminished in value; or
- e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty,

the United States of America will be entitled to the forfeiture of substitute property pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(p).

# Firearms Forfeiture

4. Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d) and 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), upon conviction of the offenses set forth in Count One or Count Three of the Indictment, the defendant

## CEPHUS ALBERT POWELL,

shall forfeit to the United States one Taurus Model PT704 .40 caliber handgun bearing serial number SEY87704 and ammunition.

21 U.S.C. § 853 18 U.S.C. § 924(d) 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c)

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